

From the Miracles of God in the Mission Field

The Resurrection from the Dead of One Who Was Ill A Summons to Faith and Church*

Hieromonk Elias (Palmos), a disciple of Archimandrite Nazarios of the Holy Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Pretoria, South Africa, wrote us on 14 October 2004 (New Style) about an astonishing event involving his father according to the flesh, which manifestly reveals the boundless love for mankind of our Lord and Savior with regard to the salvation of mankind.



We quote the relevant passage verbatim:

“We wish to inform you that one of the principal benefactors of our monastery, Dr. John Palmos, passed on to eternity on Thursday, on the eve of the Protection of the *Theotokos*.

Dr. Palmos had done much for our monastery, and so it was a great shame that he had not embraced Orthodoxy. However, through the prayers of many people and through a miracle, God intervened and brought him back to life from a coma, and prepared him to enter holy Orthodoxy after he had experienced a vision of the everlasting torments.

“He was Chrismated [he had been Baptized Orthodox, but at some point embraced Evangelical Protestantism], confessed, and communed by Father Nazarios and myself, with Sister Elizabeth as a witness. We also reconciled him with his estranged wife, my mother. Several hours later, he fell into a final coma, and two days later he reposed in piety.”



*Source: Άγιος Κωνσταντός, No. 323 (November-December 2004), p. 111.